



COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR

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MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE September 24, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER BY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JERRY DINGES AT 6:30P.M.,
FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: STEVE GOMRIC PAUL SEIBERT JOAN MCINTOSH
KEVIN DAWSON MICHAEL O'DONNELL**

MEMBERS EXCUSED: ROY MOSLEY, JR.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Robert Allen	Fred Boch	Susan Gruberman	Norman Etling
Tom Knapp	Herbert Simmons	Randy Pierce-BND	Pam Funk
Frank Bergman	Carol Clark	Laura Frederick	Kelsey Landis-BND
John West	Kenneth Sharkey	Terry Beach	
Mark Kern	Scott Tieman	Tim Cantwell	

THERE WERE NO COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE MEETINGS AGENDA.

**IT WAS MOVED BY STEVE GOMRIC AND SECONDED BY PAUL SEIBERT TO APPROVE THE
AUGUST, 2018 MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED.**

**FRANK BERGMAN READ THE DETENTIONS POPULATION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF August
2018. THERE WERE NO QUESTIONS, IT WAS MOVED BY PAUL SEIBERT AND SECONDED BY
MICHAEL O'DONNELL TO ACCEPT AND PLACE ON FILE ALL CORRESPONDENCE AND THE
REPORTS. MOTION CARRIED.**

**HERBERT SIMMONS PROVIDED HIS AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2018, E.M.A. REPORT TO THE
COMMITTEE. THERE WERE NO QUESTIONS, IT WAS MOVED BY STEVE GOMRIC AND
SECONDED BY KEVIN DAWSON TO ACCEPT THE EMA REPORT AND PLACE IT ON FILE.
MOTION CARRIED.**

**TOM KNAPP REPORTED OUR DOC RATE OF CAPACITY WAS 418, WE DID NOT EXCEED THAT.
OUR AVERAGE DAILY POPULATION DURING AUGUST 2018 WAS 351. INMATES ADMITTED
WAS 696, LONGEST LENGTH OF STAY WAS FOUR DAYS, OLDEST PERSON WAS 68 YEARS OF
AGE; OF THE 696 INMATES, 194 WERE FEMALES, 502 MALES OF THOSE, BOOKING TYPES 242
WERE MISDEMEANORS 241 FELONS, 5 FEDERAL INMATES, AND 93 FUGITIVES.**

**ON THE PATROL SIDE OF THINGS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST WE MADE 290 TRAFFIC
STOPS, ISSUED 167 CITATIONS, 13 FELONY ARRESTS, 28 MISDEMEANOR ARRESTS, 28
WARRANT ARRESTS, 375 COURTHOUSE PATROL CHECKS, 601 PARK PATROLS, 2,906
BUSINESS/RESIDENTS CHECKS.**

THE ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER HAD 85 ENVIRONMENTAL CONTACTS MADE, 5 ENVIRONMENTAL CITATIONS ISSUED, 12 VIOLATION NOTICES LEFT AT RESIDENTS.

FINALLY, IN CASE YOU DIDN'T SEE IT, THERE IS AN ARTICLE IN THE BELLEVILLE NEWS DEMOCRATE (BND) BY BETH HUNSDORFER. IT TALKS ABOUT CRIME IN ST. CLAIR COUNTY IS DOWN ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE. I WOULD LIKE TO READ A COUPLE OF SENTENCES THAT WAS CITED BY LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CENTER RESEARCH STUDY. AND I QUOTE "THE BIG TAKE AWAY IS THAT REPORTED CRIME IS DOWN OVER THE PAST FIVE TO TEN YEARS FOR BOTH VIOLENCE AND PROPERTY CRIMES, AND THAT WHILE VIOLENT CRIME, AND IN PARTICULAR, HOMICIDE, GENERATES A LOT OF ATTENTION, AND RIGHTLY SO, MOST CRIME IN ST. CLAIR COUNTY DOES NOT INVOLVE VIOLENCE," SAID DAVID OLSON, A PROFESSOR. PROPERTY CRIME, SUCH AS THEFT BURGLARY AND AUTO THEFT, DECREASED BY 24 PERCENT DURING THAT TIME FRAME. THE REPORT FURTHER FOUND THAT DURING THE SAME TIME PERIOD FELONY CASES INCREASED 35 PERCENT WHILE THE NUMBER OF VIOLENT CRIMES DECREASED BY 41 PERCENT." SO THAT IS GOOD NEWS FOR EVERYBODY. THERE BEING NO QUESTIONS. IT WAS MOVED BY STEVE GOMRIC AND SECONDED BY TO ACCEPT HIS REPORT AND PLACE IT ON FILE. MOTION CARRIED.

FRANK BERGMAN STATED REVIEWING ALL THE REPORTS WITH OUR NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER LAURA FREDRICK THEY APPEAR TO BE IN ORDER FOR AUGUST 2018. THERE WAS THREE OTHER CLAIMS THAT WAS DENIED BECAUSE IT WAS OUTSIDE OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY. THERE BEING NO QUESTIONS, IT WAS MOVED BY STEVE GOMIRC AND SECONDED BY JOAN MCINTOSH TO ACCEPT THE ACCIDENT REPORT AND PLACE ON FILE.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, IT WAS MOVED BY PAUL SEIBERT AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL O'DONNELL TO ADJOURN, MOTION CARRIED.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

FRANK BERGMAN